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Dear Dr. Henney:

You surely do not have to be told the dangers that all of us face with the increasing levels of bacterial resistance to antibiotics, or the importance of overuse of antibiotics by both doctors and by agriculture. As more and more people suffer infections that are difficult to treat and occasionally deadly, this problem is approaching a crisis. FDA's current proposal to control antibiotic overuse is far too weak to protect human health. It is not sufficient merely to limit new uses of antibiotics. The current overuse of antibiotics both in human medicine and in animal feeds must be quickly curtailed. I respectfully urge that FDA BAN human antibiotics in animal feeds.

Thank you.

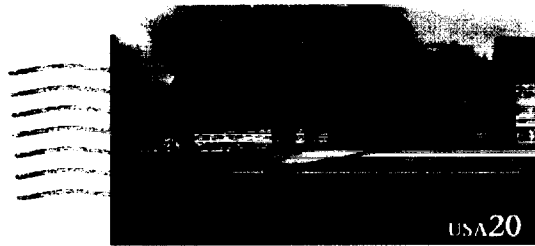
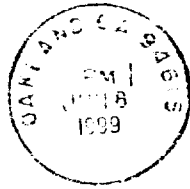
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